TRUMBULL CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES FEBRUARY 26, 2009 NICHOLS ROOM AT TOWN HALL

Meeting was called to order by John Russell at 7:00 PM. Also in attendance were Don Watson, Mary Ellen LeMay, Mary Beth Thornton, and Julie Jenkins.

Minutes from the January meeting were unanimously accepted.

Mary Beth gave an overview of the Great Oak Park design. Don requested that the Conservation Commission formulate a design for maintenance that would adhere to "best practices" of conservation.

Dale and Joanne Parsons came at 7:05.

Mary Beth left at 7:25.

Discussion ensued about the appeal by the developers of Hidden Pond development.

Don Watson and Mary Ellen presented details about purchasing GIS services from the GIS study group. The group is developing a budget and time frame for buying a provider system. The results will be presented to the Board of Finance in March to be included in the First Selectman's budget.

The Conservation Commission's budget for 2009-2020 has been approved. John asked for any other associations which would be beneficial for the Conservation Commission to join. Mary Ellen also spoke about several workshops available for people to attend.

There was discussion about tightening the standards for submitting applications for inland wetlands and zoning permits. We also discussed possibly recommending higher fees for submittals.

John will request Dmitri Paris, Superintendent of Parks, to come and speak to the Conservation Commission about the state of parks in town.

Dale made a motion for adjournment and Joanne seconded. Unanimously accepted at 8:12.

Respectfully submitted, Julie Jenkins